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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Donald J. McMichael, et al.) Group Art Unit: 3728
 Serial No.: 10/088,630) Examiner: Luan Kim Bui
 Filed: February 28, 2002) Our Account No.: 04-1403
 Confirmation No.: 5367) Our Customer No.: 22827
 Title: Surgical Kit for "Pull" Type Percutaneous Endoscopic)
 Gastrostomy Procedures)

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AMENDMENT

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Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims	Highest			
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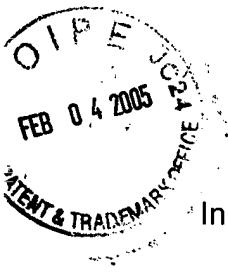
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Sir:

Applicants are filing the present Amendment in response to the Office Action
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